

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
AUGUST 2, 2016 – 7:30 PM

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT NOBLE WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND A MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL:

ALDERMAN ECKERT
ALDERMAN KOOP
ALDERMAN SCOTT-CHILDRESS
ALDERMAN DAWSON
ALDERMAN CAREY
ALDERMAN DAVIS
ALDERMAN MILLS
ALDERMAN SCHABOT
ALDERMAN BROWN

MOTION TO DISPENSE WITH THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING AND APPROVE AS PREPARED BY THE CITY CLERK’S OFFICE OFFERED BY ALDERMAN MILLS, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN CAREY CARRIED ON ROLL CALL BY VOICE

MOTION TO DISPENSE WITH THE READING OF THE GENERAL BILLS OFFERED BY ALDERMAN KOOP SECONDED BY ALDERMAN SCHABOT CARRIED ON ROLL CALL BY VOICE

PUBLIC SPEAKING:

- 1. WILLIAM FORD, SPOKE ABOUT HIS CONCERNS FOR THE COAST GUARD’S PLAN FOR SHIPPING ON THE HUDSON RIVER.
- 2. JOSEPH DIFALCO, 66 GLEN ST., KINGSTON SPEAKING ABOUT THE LOCAL LAW CONCERNING ETHICS REFORM, THERE ARE NECESSARY CHANGES, BUT DON’T DO A PIECEMEAL APPROACH THE WAY IT IS WRITTEN IS TO PROTECT YOURSELF, NO TRANSPARENCY, CORP. COUNSEL HAS NO RIGHT SHOULD BE BROUGHT UP ON CHARGES, ASSISTANT CORP. COUNSEL SAYS THE ETHICS LAW IS UNWORKABLE, UNENFORCEABLE. COMMON COUNCIL HAS RESOURCES TO HIRE THEIR OWN COUNSEL, NOT FROM THE MAYOR’S APPOINTEES. IF HE HAS TO TAKE THIS WASHINGTON HE WILL.
- 3. ELLEN DIFALCO, 66 GLEN ST., KINGSTON SPEAKS ABOUT THE PROPOSED LAW BEING WEAKENED DESPITE WHAT CORP. COUNSEL SAYS LAW DOES NOT HINDER VOLUNTEERS TO SERVE ON COMMITTEES, HOW MANY TIMES ARE YOU GOING TO DISSECT IT? SEND BACK TO COMMITTEE.
- 4. ANDY CHAMP-DORAN, 59 ELIZABETH ST., KINGSTON ALSO WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE ETHICS LEGISLATION SENT BACK TO COMMITTEE. SPOKE WITH ALDERMAN SCOTT-CHILDRESS ABOUT CHANGES, WANTS TO KEEP IN REFERRAL OF CROMNAL CASES TO PROSECUTORIAL AUTHORITY, IF TAKEN OUT WEAKENS LAW DOES NOT ADDRESS PROBLEM OF REAL DISCLOSURE.
- 5. JAMES SHAUGHNESSY, 11 DELTA ST. TALKED ABOUT TRAFFIC SIGNALS ON LINDERMAN AND WASHINGTON AVENUES WANTS IT RETURNED TO REGULAR TRAFFIC LIGHT RESTORE STOP SIGNS AT WALL AND LINDERMAN. W. O’REILLY STREET INTERSECTION WITH WILBUR AND NORTH BOUND TRAFFIC ON CLINTON AVENUE MAKING TURN ONTO MAIN STREET.

CLAIMS:

#16-21 AUTO DAMAGE

COMMUNICATIONS:

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| 1. CHIEF BROWN, FIRE | RE: BUDGET MODIFICATION REQUEST | FIN |
| 2. CHRISTINE ROBERTS | RE: DRINKING WATER AND SHADE TREES FOR KINGSTON DOG PARK | FIN |
| 3. CHIEF BROWN, FIR | RE: BUDGET MODIFICATION REQUEST | FIN |
| 4. ALDERMAN DAVIS | RE: REMOVAL OF HANDICAPPED SIGNS IN WARD 6 | PS |
| 5. MAYOR NOBLE | RE: EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK | PS |
| 6. J. SAFFORD, BLDG. | RE: VARIANCE APPLICATION 100 LUCAS AVENUE | COPY |
| 7. ALDERMAN MILLS | RE: SALE OF CITY OWNED PROPERTY | FIN |
| 8. ALDERMAN MILLS | RE: ULSTER CO. COALITION AGAINST NARCOTICS FUNDING | FIN |
| 9. ALDERMAN BROWN | RE: ULSTER CO. COALITION AGAINST NARCOTICS FUNDING | FIN |
| 10. ALDERMAN MILLS | RE: ALMS HOUSE | FIN |
| 11. ALDERMAN MILLS | RE: CITY OWNED PROPERTY LISTING | FIN |
| 12. ALDERMAN BROWN | RE: REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONS | PS |
| 13. JAMES NOBLE | RE: MOVING OF COUNTY FAMILY COURT | FIN |
| 14. R. SWENSON, ENG. | RE: ENGINEERING PLAN GRANT | FIN |
| 15. K. BRYANT, CORP. | RE: PUBLIC AUCTION OF SURPLUS PROPERTIES | FIN |

MOTION TO DISPENSE WITH THE SECOND READING OF THE GENERAL BILLS AND PAY SAME OFFERED BY ALDERMAN CAREY SECONDED BY ALDERMAN BROWN CARRIED ON ROLL CALL BY VOICE.

REPORT OF COMMMITTEES:

FINANCE/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:
RESOLUTION #176 OF 2016 RECOMMENDING APPROVAL FOR MODIFICATIONS TO THE 2016 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY BUDGET SPONSORED BY ALDERMEN KOOP, SCOTT-CHILDRESS, DAVIS, SCHABOT BROWN CARRIED ON ROLL CALL BY VOICE 9-0.

FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE:
RESOLUTION #177 OF 2016 RECOMMENDING MODIFICATIONS TO THE 2016 POLICE DEPARTMENT BUDGET SPONSORED BY ALDERMEN KOOP, SCOTT-CHILDRESS, DAVIS, SCHABOT BROWN CARRIED ON ROLL CALL BY VOICE 9-0.

FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE:
RESOLUTION #178 OF 2016 RECOMMENDING APPROVAL FOR MODIFICATIONS TO THE 2016 ASSESSOR’S BUDGET SPONSORED BY ALDERMEN KOOP, SCOTT-CHILDRESS, DAVIS, SCHABOT BROWN CARRIED ON ROLL CALL BY VOICE 9-0.

FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE:
RESOLUTION #179 OF 2016 RECOMMENDING APPROVAL FOR MODIFICATIONS TO THE 2016 ANIMAL CONTROL BUDGET SPONSORED BY ALDERMEN KOOP, SCOTT-CHILDRESS, DAVIS, SCHABOT BROWN CARRIED ON ROLL CALL BY VOICE 9-0.

FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE:

RESOLUTION #180 OF 2016 RECOMMENDING APPROVAL FOR MODIFICATIONS TO THE 2016 WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY BUDGET SPONSORED BY ALDERMEN KOOP, SCOTT-CHILDRESS, DAVIS, SCHABOT BROWN CARRIED ON ROLL CALL BY VOICE 9-0.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT/PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

RESOLUTION #181 OF 2016 ADDING A 3-WAY STOP INTERSECTION ON WALL STREET AND LINDERMAN AVENUE SPONSORED BY ALDERMEN SCHABOT, ECKERT, DAWSON, DAVIS BROWN CARRIED ON ROLL CALL BY VOICE 9-0.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT/PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

RESOLUTION #182 OF 2016 ALTERING TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT THE INTERSECTION OF WASHINGTON AND LINDERMAN AVENUES SPONSORED BY ALDERMEN SCHABOT, ECKERT, DAWSON, DAVIS BROWN MOTION TO REFER BACK TO COMMITTEE OFFERED BY ALDERMAN MILLS SECONDED BY ALDERMAN DAWSON CARRIED ON ROLL CALL BY VOICE 9-0.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT/PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

RESOLUTION #183 OF 2016 AMENDING NO PARKING ON FIRST AVENUE SPONSORED BY ALDERMEN SCHABOT, ECKERT, DAWSON, DAVIS BROWN CARRIED ON ROLL CALL BY VOICE 9-0.

FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE:

RESOLUTION #184 OF 2016 AUTHORIZING APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO A STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT CORRECTING AND REDUCING THE 2015 ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR 159 GREEN STREET (SBL NO. 48.330-2-8) SPONSORED BY ALDERMEN KOOP, SCOTT-CHILDRESS, DAVIS, SCHABOT BROWN CARRIED ON ROLL CALL BY VOICE 9-0.

FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE:

RESOLUTION #185 OF 2016 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE FIRST INSTANCE FOR HUDSON RIVER ESTUARY PROGRAM (HREP) GRANT #DEC01-T00061GG-3350000 FROM NYS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION (NYS DEC) FRO A NATURAL RESOURCES INVENTORY FOR THE CITY OF KINGSTON SPONSORED BY ALDERMEN KOOP, SCOTT-CHILDRESS, DAVIS, SCHABOT BROWN CARRIED ON ROLL CALL BY VOICE 9-0.

FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE:

RESOLUTION #186 OF 2016 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE FIRST INSTANCE FOR HUDSON RIVER ESTUARY PROGRAM (HREP) GRANT #DEC01-T00068GG-3350000 FROM NYS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION (NYS DEC) FOR THE SEA LEVEL RISE IMPLEMENTATION LEARNING GROUP SPONSORED BY ALDERMEN KOOP, SCOTT-CHILDRESS, SCHABOT, DAVIS BROWN CARRIED ON ROLL CALL BY VOICE 9-0.

PUBLIC SAFETY/GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE:

RESOLUTION #187 OF 2016 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR SHARED SERVICES WITH THE COUNTY OF ULSTER FOR TOURISM SPONSORED BY ALDERMAN SCHABOT, DAWSON, ECKERT, BROWN DAVIS CARRIED ON ROLL CALL BY VOICE 9-0.

FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE:

RESOLUTION #188 OF 2016 AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF 8 BARMANN AVENUE TAX MAP NO. 56.33-2-21 AND RECOMMENDING A NEGATIVE DECLARATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE SPONSORED BY ALDERMEN KOOP, SCOTT-CHILDRESS, DAVIS, SCHABOT BROWN CARRIED ON ROLL CALL BY VOICE 9-0.

FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE:

RESOLUTION #189 OF 2016 AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF 311-317 FIRST AVENUE TAX MAP NO. 48.75-6-220 AND RECOMMENDING A NEGATIVE DECLARATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE SPONSORED BY ALDERMEN KOOP, SCOTT-CHILDRESS, DAVIS, SCHABOT BROWN CARRIED ON ROLL CALL BY VOICE 9-0.

PUBLIC SAFETY/GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE:

RESOLUTION #190 OF 2016 AUTHORIZING A 20% LOCAL MATCH AS REQUIRED BY THE ENGINEERING PLANNING GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE HASBROUCK CSO SEWERSHED 1/1 STUDY PROJECT SPONSORED BY ALDERMEN SCHABOT, ECKERT, DAWSON, DAVIS BROWN CARRIED ON ROLL CALL BY VOICE 9-0.

PUBLIC SAFETY/GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE:

RESOLUTION #191 OF 2016 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE NYS ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES CORPORATION SPONSORED BY ALDERMEN SCHABOT, DAWSON, DAVIS, ECKERT BROWN CARRIED ON ROLL CALL BY VOICE 9-0.

MEETING WAS ADJOURNED IN HONOR OF GRACE WOODS, REBECCA TEETSEL, RAY HULL AND GEORGE GLASER SR MOTION TO ADJOURN OFFERED BY ALDERMAN BROWN SECONDED BY ALDERMAN DAVIS CARRIED ON ROLL CALL BY VOICE 9-0.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

CARLY WINNIE
CITY CLERK